

PROCLAMATION **DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR PRESIDENT RONALD WILSON REAGAN**

JUNE 11, 2004

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we pay tribute to the memory of President Ronald Wilson Reagan, fortieth president of the United States who died the fifth of June 2004, as a great American patriot who changed the world by making it safer and freer and who gave hope and opportunity to millions of people; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan made us believe in ourselves and the enormous potential of our nation, restoring pride and faith in America and respect for our nation among friends and foes alike; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan reinvigorated our military and was unrelenting in his mission to end the Cold War, restoring freedom to the oppressed peoples of Eastern Europe and laying the foundations of democracy and free markets; and

WHEREAS, his economic policies restored the vigor of American commerce at home and abroad and led to the largest peacetime economic expansion in history, creating an environment for economic growth and productivity that are still at work in America today; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan affirmed his belief that government should work for the people, and checked the growth of government; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans are encouraged to observe a moment of silence at 10:30 a.m. CST on June 11, 2004, to coincide with President Reagan's memorial service in Washington, D.C., to remember the life and contributions of this courageous and visionary American who renewed our confidence and restored our nation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as the Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim June 11, 2004, a **DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR PRESIDENT RONALD WILSON REAGAN** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/ John Hoeven Governor

Attest:

/s/ Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State